



FRITZ BAUER - DEATH BY INSTALMENTS

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SYNOPSIS

"We emigrants were guilty of well-meaning misjudgement. The fact that Germany lies in ruins has also a good side, we thought. The debris is cleared and we build the cities of the future. Broad, bright and welcoming." These words, spoken by Fritz Bauer in 1967 to the writer Gerhard Zweren, describe the enthusiasm with which the Swabian lawyer wanted to ensure the passage for post-war Germany from the clutches of the Nazi dictatorship to a democratic and human political system. Not only the political but also the legal sphere was to contribute to this process. Bauer had no idea that he would be rolling a Sisyphean boulder, that the path would be strewn with obstacles and hostilities and that it would finally end in an untimely death, the exact circumstances of which remain puzzling even today. Ilona Ziok's film "Death by installments" tells of Bauer's courageous fight for justice. The director has carried out meticulous research in the archives and obtained startling testimonies...

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